

# DAILY NEWS DIGEST

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## **Army Engineers OK Part of City's Plan for Trinity**

The Dallas Morning News, 04/17/98

The southern extension of the Dallas Floodway has gained approval from the Army Corps of Engineers. The Corps OK is needed to receive federal funds. The Corps draft report was released April 16 and the public has 45 days to comment. The project is part of the May 2 city bond election.

## **Report Pins Pollution on Molycorp**

### **Report: Molycorp Adds to Pollution**

Albuquerque Journal, 04/16/98

An EPA report concludes that Molycorp's waste piles are responsible for polluting the Red River with acids and toxic metals. Company officials maintain the acid and heavy metals are naturally occurring. Environmentalists hope the findings will cause EPA to require Molycorp to obtain a NPDES permit.

## **Lawmaker Wants to Scrap Poultry Waste Rules**

Tulsa World, 04/17/98

### **Senate Lays Waste to Hog, Poultry Bill**

Tulsa World, 04/16/98

Citing the concerns of poultry farmers in his district, Rep. Terry Matlock (D-Garvin) will ask the Oklahoma House to disapprove poultry waste management rules passed by the Department of Agriculture. Meanwhile, the Senate failed (by two votes) to approve legislation that would have prevented existing CAFOs from increasing the number of animals they contain and blocked the creation or expansion of processing plants. Procedural maneuvering allowed a second, successful vote on the bill, but an amendment by its most vocal critic had virtually gutted the bill.

## **DOE Asks EPA to Remove Pantex from Program**

Amarillo Globe-News, 04/17/98

Pantex will work with TNRCC and EPA to have the Panhandle facility removed from the Superfund NPL. The plant was added to the NPL in 1994. Plant officials said removal would not affect ongoing cleanup activities.

## **Judge Nixes Grazing Curbs OK'd by Forest Service, Activists**

Albuquerque Journal, 04/15/98

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